



# Park & Recreation Board

## PARB

Tuesday, June 24, 2003

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Conference Room – City Hall

## MINUTES

**Attendees:** Mart Hughes, Kathy Buss, Kate McCready, Ray Harris, Rob Gabrish

**Staff:** JoAnn Herrigel

**Absent:** Joan Young, Sherri Dow

Meeting called to order by Chair Hughes at 7:00 PM

Herrigel played a tape of the Inside Clackamas County featuring Milwaukie.

**Open Period:** No audience

### **Minutes:**

Minutes of the May meeting were approved as written.

### **District Meeting:**

Herrigel shared the details of a meeting with Charlie Ciecko, Don Trotter, Bill Kennemer, James Bernard that she'd attended regarding the future of the Park District. After some discussion, the group requested that Herrigel draft a letter for Council to sign stating the following:

- PARB and Council request a 6-month extension of the Charlie's contract to ensure consistency of management at the District.
- The City would like to keep an active role in District management and operation through Mart's participation AND through Council's attention to the District.
- PARB and Council encourage the establishment of a task force or committee that would review the operation of Aquatics Center and discuss options for its future and further encourage the hiring of a technical consultant to assist with this review

Herrigel noted that the mayor had mentioned at the above meeting that there were several neighborhood people who have expressed interest in "taking over" maintenance of the parks in their neighborhoods. Herrigel proposed that the City wait until the District had established a volunteer coordinator (expected soon) and then ask all the NDAs in Milwaukie what they were willing and able to take on regarding maintenance and operation of the City's parks. All agreed that this was a good approach.

### **Other**

Herrigel said she had asked Metro to do presentation at the next PARB meeting on the Trolley Tail. She said she would get PARB members advanced copies to review before the meeting.

Hughes asked Herrigel to look further into the Trail along Johnson Creek that was proposed by the NILUS study.

Buss suggested that a flier be developed regarding naming of the Riverfront. She also suggested that the park naming effort be emphasized on the City's web site and on the Government Channel.

Herrigel reported that she'd done a presentation in Salem the previous week regarding a grant she'd applied for for Lewelling Community Park for \$176,000. Hughes asked if a block grant might be pursued for the half street improvements for Lewelling Community Park. Herrigel said she'd look into it.

Buss noted that September 11 and 12 was the date for Ardenwald NDA's Historic Homes Walk.

Buss motioned to adjourn, McCready seconded. Motion carried 5-0.